

that the average labor rate is approximately \$60 an hour. Parts are estimated to be \$160 per airplane. Based on these figures, the total cost impact of the proposed AD on U.S. operators is estimated to be \$156,000 or \$520 per airplane. Beech has informed FAA that no parts have been distributed to owners/operators for this modification; therefore, this figure is based on the assumption that no owners/operators have accomplished the proposed inspection and modification.

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this action (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action has been placed in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 USC 106(g), 40101, 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding a new airworthiness directive (AD) to read as follows:

Beech Aircraft Corporation: Docket No. 95–CE–82–AD.

Applicability: The following Model C90A airplanes, certificated in any category, that are equipped with an optional Beech electric trim system or a Collins autopilot system:

(1) Serial numbers LJ–1111 through LJ–1410 that were equipped at manufacturer with a pin-type cable guard actuator assembly (P/N 33–524023–51) on the elevator electric trim tab actuator assembly.

(2) All serial numbers (except LJ–1 through LJ–1110) equipped with a pin-type cable guard actuator assembly (P/N 33–524023–51) installed through field approval.

Note 1: Steps 1 through 4 of the ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS section of Beech Service Bulletin (SB) No. 2631, Issued: June 1995, Revised: September 1995, provide procedures for determining which assembly is installed.

Note 2: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (c) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as follows, unless already accomplished:

(1) Within 150 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD; or

(2) Upon installation of an optional Beech elevator electric trim tab system or a Collins autopilot system.

To prevent possible failure of the optional Beech electric trim system or the Collins autopilot system, which, if not detected and corrected, could cause loss of airplane maneuverability and possible loss of control of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Modify all elevator electric trim tab actuator assemblies, part number (P/N) 33–524023–51 to the P/N 33–524023–77 or P/N 33–524023–79 level, by accomplishing the procedures in the ACCOMPLISHMENT INSTRUCTIONS section of Beech Service Bulletin SB No. 2631, Issued: June 1995, Revised: September 1995.

(b) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office, 1801 Airport Road,

Room 100, Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, Kansas 67209. The request shall be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Wichita Aircraft Certification Office.

Note 3: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Wichita Aircraft Certification Office.

(d) All persons affected by this directive may obtain copies of the document referred to herein upon request to Beech Aircraft Corporation, P.O. Box 85, Wichita, Kansas 67201–0085; or may examine this document at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on November 20, 1995.

Michael Gallagher,
Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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14 CFR Part 39

[Docket No. 95–NM–70–AD]

Airworthiness Directives; Fokker Model F27 Mark 050 and Model F28 Mark 0100 Series Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes the adoption of a new airworthiness directive (AD) that is applicable to certain Fokker Model F27 Mark 050 and Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes. This proposal would require an inspection to verify that adequate clearance exists between the insulation screen and the two adjacent terminal bolts, and replacement of the circuit breaker terminal bolts with new bolts, if necessary. This proposal is prompted by a report that circuit breaker terminal bolts that were too long were discovered installed in the circuit breaker panels. The actions specified by the proposed AD are intended to prevent damage to the insulation screen between adjacent rows of circuit breakers, as the result of a circuit breaker terminal bolt being too long; this condition could lead to electrical arcing and loss of the associated electrical system, which could result in the potential for an electrical fire.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 8, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Transport

Airplane Directorate, ANM-103, Attention: Rules Docket No. 95-NM-70-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Comments may be inspected at this location between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

The service information referenced in the proposed rule may be obtained from Fokker Aircraft USA, Inc., 1199 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314. This information may be examined at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Dulin, Aerospace Engineer, Standardization Branch, ANM-113, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone (206) 227-2141; fax (206) 227-1149.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to participate in the making of the proposed rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications shall identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments, specified above, will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposals contained in this notice may be changed in light of the comments received.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the proposed rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report summarizing each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this proposal will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this notice must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket Number 95-NM-70-AD." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, ANM-103, Attention: Rules Docket No.

95-NM-70-AD, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington 98055-4056.

Discussion

The Rijksluchtvaartdienst (RLD), which is the airworthiness authority for the Netherlands, recently notified the FAA that an unsafe condition may exist on certain Fokker Model F27 Mark 050 and Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes. The RLD advises that, during production of Fokker Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes, circuit breaker terminal bolts that were too long were installed in the circuit breaker panels. Investigation revealed that a design change introduced new circuit breaker terminal bolts having hexagonal heads that were too long. These new circuit breaker terminal bolts can cause damage to the insulation screen between adjacent rows of circuit breakers, which could result in electrical arcing; this condition could lead to the loss of the associated electrical system and could result in the potential for an electrical fire.

The RLD advises that this unsafe condition also exists on certain Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes.

Fokker has issued Service Bulletin SBF100-20-001, dated January 15, 1994 (for Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes), and Service Bulletin SBF50-20-003, dated January 11, 1994 (for Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes). These service bulletins describe procedures for a one-time inspection to verify that adequate clearance exists between the insulation screen and the two adjacent terminal bolts, and replacement of the circuit breaker terminal bolts with new bolts, if necessary. The RLD classified these service bulletins as mandatory and issued Dutch airworthiness directive 94-029 (A), dated February 21, 1994, in order to assure the continued airworthiness of these airplanes in the Netherlands.

This airplane model is manufactured in the Netherlands and is type certificated for operation in the United States under the provisions of section 21.29 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.29) and the applicable bilateral airworthiness agreement. Pursuant to this bilateral airworthiness agreement, the RLD has kept the FAA informed of the situation described above. The FAA has examined the findings of the RLD, reviewed all available information, and determined that AD action is necessary for products of this type design that are certificated for operation in the United States.

Since an unsafe condition has been identified that is likely to exist or

develop on other airplanes of the same type design registered in the United States, the proposed AD would require a one-time inspection to verify that adequate clearance exists between the insulation screen and the two adjacent terminal bolts, and replacement of the circuit breaker terminal bolts with new bolts, if necessary. The actions would be required to be accomplished in accordance with the service bulletins described previously.

The FAA estimates that 44 Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes of U.S. registry would be affected by this proposed AD, that it would take approximately 1 work hour per airplane to accomplish the proposed inspection, and that the average labor rate is \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the cost impact of the proposed inspection on U.S. operators of Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes is estimated to be \$2,640, or \$60 per airplane.

Should an operator of Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes be required to accomplish the necessary bolt replacement, it would take approximately 7 work hours per airplane to accomplish the replacement, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Required parts would cost approximately \$100 per airplane. Based on these figures, the cost impact of any necessary replacement action is estimated to be \$520 per airplane.

The cost impact figure discussed above is based on assumptions that no operator has yet accomplished any of the proposed requirements of this AD action, and that no operator would accomplish those actions in the future if this AD were not adopted.

Currently there are no Fokker Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes on the U.S. Register. However, should an affected airplane be imported and placed on the U.S. Register in the future, it would take approximately 1 work hour per airplane to accomplish the proposed inspection, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Based on these figures, the impact of the proposed inspection on operators of Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes would be \$60 per airplane.

Should an operator of Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes be required to accomplish the necessary bolt replacement, it would take approximately 17 work hours per airplane to accomplish the replacement, at an average labor rate of \$60 per work hour. Required parts would cost approximately \$150 per airplane. Based on these figures, the cost impact of any necessary replacement action is estimated to be \$1,170 per airplane.

The regulations proposed herein would not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this proposal would not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

For the reasons discussed above, I certify that this proposed regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action is contained in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 USC 106(g), 40101, 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

Fokker: Docket 95–NM–70–AD.

Applicability: Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes having serial numbers 20247 through 20292 inclusive, and 20294 through 20297 inclusive; and Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes having serial numbers 11390 through 11479 inclusive; certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the

requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must use the authority provided in paragraph (b) of this AD to request approval from the FAA. This approval may address either no action, if the current configuration eliminates the unsafe condition; or different actions necessary to address the unsafe condition described in this AD. Such a request should include an assessment of the effect of the changed configuration on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD. In no case does the presence of any modification, alteration, or repair remove any airplane from the applicability of this AD.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously. To prevent electrical arcing and subsequent loss of the associated electrical system, which could result in the potential for an electrical fire, accomplish the following:

(a) Within 12 months after the effective date of this AD, perform an inspection to verify if adequate clearance exists between the insulation screen and the two adjacent terminal bolts in accordance with Fokker Service Bulletin SBF100–20–001, dated January 15, 1994 (for Model F28 Mark 0100 series airplanes), or Fokker Service Bulletin SBF50–20–003, dated January 11, 1994 (for Model F27 Mark 050 series airplanes), as applicable.

(1) If adequate clearance is found, no further action is required by this AD.

(2) If inadequate clearance is found, prior to further flight, replace the circuit breaker terminal bolts with new bolts in accordance with the applicable service bulletin.

(b) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM–113, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM–113.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Standardization Branch, ANM–113.

(c) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 21, 1995.

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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[Docket No. 95–CE–10–AD]

Airworthiness Directives; Jetstream Aircraft Limited HP137 Mk1, Jetstream Series 200, and Jetstream Models 3101 and 3201 Airplanes

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This document proposes to supersede Airworthiness Directive (AD) 81–20–01, which currently requires repetitively inspecting the nose landing gear (NLG) actuator support structure and the front pressure bulkhead for cracks on Jetstream Aircraft Limited (JAL) HP137 Mk1 and Jetstream series 200 airplanes, and replacing any cracked part. The proposed action would: retain the repetitive inspections required by AD 81–20–01; require repetitively inspecting the NLG retraction jack upper mounting fitting and attachment hardware for security bolt failure and for bolts with improper torque levels on the HP137 Mk1, Jetstream series 200, and Jetstream Model 3101 airplanes, and require replacing any failed security bolts and adjusting any bolt with an improper torque level; and require modifying the NLG retraction jack on all affected airplanes as terminating action for the repetitive inspections. The proposed action is prompted by reports of NLG jack mounting fitting failures on several of the affected airplanes, and by the Federal Aviation Administration's policy on aging commuter-class aircraft. The actions specified in the proposed AD are intended to prevent failure of the NLG caused by a cracked NLG actuator support structure or cracked front pressure bulkhead, which, if not detected and corrected, could lead to nose gear collapse and damage to the airplane.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before February 9, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments on the proposal in triplicate to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Central Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Attention: Rules Docket No. 95–CE–10–AD, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. Comments may be inspected at this location between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, holidays excepted.

Service information that applies to the proposed AD may be obtained from Jetstream Aircraft Limited, Manager Product Support, Prestwick Airport,